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E.O. 11652: GDS

TAGS:CGEN, PFOR, BU

SUBJECT: JELYAZKOV/MILOSLAVOVITCH CASE

REFS: (A) SOFIA 393, (B) STATE 17870

1. DEPARTMENT HAS BEEN WORKING WITH CHICAGO AUTHORITIES REGARDING REPORT ON CHILDREN'S WELL-BEING DISCUSSED REFTELS. ALTHOUGH THESE MATTERS ARE NORMALLY HANDLED THROUGH DIRECT CONTACT BETWEEN COURTS OF INTERESTED COUNTRIES, INTERESTED PARTIES AGREE THAT A LIMITED INVOLVEMENT BY DEPARTMENT IN THIS CASE WILL BE HELPFUL IN CLEARLY ESTABLISHING FOR GOB OUR CONTINUING INTEREST IN CASE AND SO AS TO BETTER PROTECT CHILDREN'S RIGHTS AS U.S. CITIZENS.

2. COURT HEARING WAS HELD ON APRIL 18 BUT ONLY FOR PURPOSE OF CONTINUING HEARING TO JULY 18. CHICAGO AUTHORITIES HAVE AGREED TO PROVIDE A WRITTEN REQUEST FOR DEPARTMENT'S ASSISTANCE IN MATTER. THIS LETTER, WHICH WE REQUESTED, CONFIDENTIAL

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WILL MAKE COURT'S REQUEST A MATTER OF RECORD AND ESTABLISH FOR BULGARIANS THAT WE ARE ACTING ON BEHALF OF COURT.

3. DETAILS OF REPORT TO BE MADE BY EMBASSY SOFIA WILL BE PROVIDED AS SOON AS WE RECEIVE COURT'S WRITTEN REQUEST FOR

ASSISTANCE. WE HAVE ASKED THAT THEY BE AS SPECIFIC AS

POSSIBLE, POINTING OUT THAT DEPARTMENT OFFICERS NORMALLY  
ARE NOT TRAINED SOCIAL WORKERS.

4. CHICAGO AUTHORITIES HAVE ALSO BEEN REQUESTED TO  
PROVIDE WITH LETTER A COPY OF JANUARY 18 COURT DECREE  
AWARDING CUSTODY OF CHILDREN TO THEIR GRANDFATHER.  
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